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THERMOSETTING LIQUID COATING COMPOSITION FOR ALUMINUM

WHEEL AND METHOD OF COATING ALUMINUM WHEEL

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

Documents AA and AF were cited in a Chinese Office Action dated December 22, 2006. A copy of the Office Action and translation are also enclosed.

No fee is required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement, since it is being submitted prior to the issuance of a first official action on the merits or expiration of the three month period following the filing date or the entry of the national stage of the above-captioned application.

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of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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OTHER DOCUMENTS

	AN	Chinese Office Action Dated December 22, 2006 and English translation.
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